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Majority prices were higher in the West, unchanged to higher elsewhere. Trade sentiment was mixed, but at least steady to instances firm in the Midwest. Retail and food service demand covered the full range, light to good; supplies were sufficient with lighter weights close to tight. In the parts structure, trading was light to moderate. Breast items were in good balance to tight, wings were adequate to ample, and dark meat was more than adequate with some discounting reported. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable to heavy, mostly desirable weights.

Final report Report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 6/21/04-06/25/04 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
	Delivered to First Receivers				
Bos/New Eng	83.00-89.00	86.28	18	79.39	41
Chicago	78.00-81.00	80.36	45	82.44	79
Ohio Cities	TFEWR	—	—	83.08	24
Denver	84.50	84.50	14	85.06	16
Detroit	80.00-82.00	81.13	16	82.57	53
Los Angeles	85.00	84.71	59	83.61	148
New York	81.00-84.00	83.29	24	82.44	48
Philadelphia	81.00-83.00	82.69	13	81.82	25
Pittsburgh	82.00-84.00	83.58	12	82.56	51
St. Louis	80.00-80.25	79.53	22	80.27	44
San Francisco	85.50	85.77	31	83.64	78

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	06/21/04	Change/Last Wk	06/14/04	06/23/03
607	82.40	0.88	81.52	61.96

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AV	LOADS
East	85.00-86.25	85.39	27
Central	81.25-87.00	85.11	72
West	91.00-93.00	91.38	36
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	79.00-81.00	80.86	86

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 79.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG

LOADS	RANGE	FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,124	76.50-82.00	78.83

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	259.50	1,516
BREASTS - B/S	261.00	5,646
BREASTS - WHOLE	140.50	1,855
THIGH MEAT - B/S	123.50	1,083
LEG QUARTERS	35.50	8,241
WINGS	117.50	3,047

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was generally fair at best entering the week. Offerings of the 2.5 to 3 pound birds were in very close balance. The larger sizes were generally sufficient. Retail and distributive movement was moderate. The market tone was at least steady. In the parts complex, breast items were in good balance. Wings were sufficient. Dark meat cuts was available at discounted levels.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was mixed, but at least steady. Demand following the weekend was fair to moderate, best for fast food promotions and scattered retail features. Supplies were usually sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was light to moderate. Breast items were in good balance and continued to move well, and wings were adequate. Dark meat was more than sufficient with limited interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at weights in a full range, but mostly desirable.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were 1 cent higher than last Monday's levels. Offerings were in good balance to cover current needs. Retailer demand was fair to fairly good with best interest where features in progress or planned to break later in the week. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. The market tone was weak on dark meat items and about steady on balance of parts. Trading reported on parts for this weeks' delivery: leg quarters bulk 30-33 and 4/10s 33-35, wings 99-103, bone-in breast 144-155 and boneless 251-254. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 93.02 up .02 with the volume reported at 27 down 7 percent.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices unchanged from last week's in Chicago, slightly higher in St. Louis and Detroit; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone steady to at times firm. Offerings were very limited with lighter weights tight. Food service and retail demand was mixed, light to fairly good with good clearance over the weekend. Floor stocks were adequate to closely balanced. Weights generally desirable. Part supplies are tight on breast items, long on leg quarters and wings. The market tone was fully steady to firm on breast cuts; leg quarters barely steady to weak and steady on the balance.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair to at least moderate entering the week. Seller offering were in good balance and well cleared on 3.00 pound and lighter sizes; more than sufficient on the heavier sizes. Live supplies were moderate; weights varied but were mostly desirable to heavy. Processor schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 82 to 96 cents. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, breast items were in good balance and clearing satisfactorily. Wings were adequate and dark meat cuts were available.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	82-100
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	86.02
NO. OF BOXES	7,467

*7 of 7 plants reporting.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was light and unaggressive entering the week as dealers cautiously assessed the market. Offerings breast items ranged balanced to adequate. Dark meat lines were available with scattered discounting noted where product was slow to clear. Wings were adequate for current needs. Retail and distributive draw was fair at best. The market tone was steady to fully steady on breast items, about steady on wings, and barely steady to weak on dark meat items.

ICE-PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	250-255	252.22	499,988
TENDERLOINS	225	222.48	96,400
BREAST - WITH RIBS	135-136	142.16	122,160
BREAST - LINE RUN	135	137.20	75,440
LEGS	51-52	47.71	293,440
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	33-34	34.73	402,883
DRUMSTICKS	42-43	46.84	195,040
THIGHS	43-44	50.54	91,608
B/S THIGHS	116-117	112.71	86,760
WINGS (WHOLE)	100-101	105.31	185,400
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.94	29,320
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	26.23	8,160
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	55-60	58.03	17,080

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,827	172.00-297.00	250-260	250.62
TENDERLOINS	103	220.00-252.00	220-230	225.35
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	433	28.00-36.00	29-32	31.70
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,228	33.00-43.00	40	39.75

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS FOR MONDAY 21-JUN-04

	ESTIMATE (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	06/21	06/17	06/17	06/14	06/10
ALA	3,973	3,963	5.11	4,006	5.15
ARK	5,382	5,325	5.09	5,367	5.03
DELMARVA	2,236	2,225	5.47	2,196	5.50
KY-LA-TN	2,048	2,056	4.79	2,064	4.83
MISS	3,015	3,026	5.37	3,039	5.45
NC	2,833	2,407	6.21	2,381	6.33
TEXAS	2,444	2,483	5.08	2,826	5.08
TOTAL	21,931	21,485	5.27	21,879	5.29
MON	21,931 (A)			21,879(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 21-Jun 2004 is estimated to be 32,811,000 down 0.06 percent from a week ago, and up 3.3 percent from a year ago.

(last week 32,832,000 last year 31,749,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	716	245.00-332.00	249-256	251.52
TENDERLOINS	305	220.00-280.00	-	235.87
BREAST - LINE RUN	99	137.00-141.00	137-139	138.70
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	73	42.00-58.00	42-45	45.40
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	509	25.00-32.00	28-29	28.46
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,250	25.00-34.00	29-32	29.96
WINGS (WHOLE)	303	93.00-108.00	95-97	97.69
WINGS (CUT)	460	112.00-119.00	114-119	116.04
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR
JUNE 21, 2004 — F.O.B. DOCK.

TODAY'S RANGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
72.50 - 82.00	77.57
	78.34

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 21-JUN-2004 TO 25-JUN-2004, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	245.00 - 263.00	246.00 - 256.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	129.00 - 157.00	135.00 - 139.50
LEGS	46.00 - 57.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	27.00 - 38.00	30.00 - 33.00
DRUMSTICKS	40.00 - 52.00	-
THIGHS	43.00 - 53.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	92.00 - 111.00	103.00 - 106.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 20.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 39.50	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 49.50	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	100.25
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	103.75-107.75
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	600

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	95-107
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	71-81
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	109
	DRY PACK	116
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	108
	DRY PACK	110
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	93
	DRY PACK	95
DUCKS		162-185

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

18-JUN-2004

CHICKEN — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	16.00-17.00	16.00	1,172,000	572,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.26	16.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	16.00-19.00	13.00-21.50	2,316,800	1,196,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.48	17.14		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	12.00	160,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		12.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged to slightly higher when compared to a week earlier. Demand was at least moderate for the about adequate to adequate offerings. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. Supplies of finished product were balanced and clearing satisfactorily. The undertone was fully steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 21-JUN-04

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6.5-10.5	9.5-10.25	9.97
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING		TOO FEW TO REPORT	
FOB PLANT		TOO FEW TO REPORT	

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

18-JUN-2004

CHICKEN — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	17.00	81,600	-
WTD AVERAGE		17.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	13.75-19.00	11.00-18.00	4,213,800	1,777,600
WTD AVERAGE	16.38	14.12		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Negotiations were generally unchanged from the previous week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 21-JUN-04

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6.25-13	10-10.5	10.22

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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